



## SOFTWARE GUIDANCE #4: BASIC WIRELESS ROUTER INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Your router is a device that acts as a physical connection between computers. It allows computers to talk to one another.

The wireless router package you purchase should include:

- a) 4-port router (e.g., Netgear, Microsoft, Linksys, Hawkings model)
- b) power adapter
- c) ethernet cable
- d) cd-rom<sup>1</sup>

### Installing your router:

1. Power up the router by plugging one end of the power adapter into the router and the other end into any available power outlet.
2. Plug the ethernet cable into one of the WAN ports **not into the Internet port**.

### To verify that you are connected to the router (using Windows XP):

1. Go to View all Network Connections.
  - a. Click on start menu
  - b. Go to control panel
  - c. View all network connections
2. Check to see if your router is there.

### To verify that you are connected to the router (using Windows 2000):

1. Go to View all Network Connections.
  - a. Click on "Start"
  - b. Go to "Settings"
  - c. Go to "Network and Dial-up Connections"
  - d. View all network connections
2. Check to see if your router is there.

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<sup>1</sup> The cd-rom may contain a set-up wizard and/or the router user manual. What appears on the cd-rom will vary depending on the model you purchased. Also, please note that you do not need the cd-rom in order to install your router.